

[3rd September 1928]

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know whether the matter has been within the knowledge of the ordinary ryot in the village ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" That is a matter of opinion ; personally I should say Yes."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know what steps were taken to bring it to the knowledge of the ryots in the village ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" I must ask for notice if the hon. Member wants a specific reply."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" In view of the fact that the hon. the Revenue Member wants notice to state whether the ryot has had information or not, is he prepared to give us an undertaking that the question of rates will not be settled before the ryot is put in possession of the report ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" As far as I understand, there is no question of giving further time now. The date for the making of representation as regards the rates, is up to 31st March 1929."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know from the hon. the Revenue Member what information the ryot has got with regard to the general questions that he spoke of. He spoke of two different categories of questions, general questions and questions relating to particular holdings. Has the ryot had an opportunity of knowing the recommendations with regard to the general questions ? If he is not aware of the exact methods employed to bring the whole thing to the knowledge of the ryots in the village, will he give an undertaking that further time will be given for the consideration of the general question so that the ryots may come into possession of all facts and make representations ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" I think that time up to 31st March 1929 will give them ample opportunity."

Mr. K. R. KARANT :—" Sir, may I know whether the scheme report was published in English only or whether it was published in the vernacular of the district also ? If it was not published in the vernacular of the district, may I know the reason ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" If the hon. Member will look into the answer he will find that there was a Telugu edition of the scheme report."

*Sale of copies of the scheme report for the resettlement of the Godavari and Kistna districts.*

\* 22 Q.—Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) when the scheme report for the resettlement of the Godavari and Kistna districts was placed on the Editors' Table; and

(b) whether an adequate number of copies of the report has been made available for sale to the public and if so, where ?

A.—(a) As explained in the answer to clause (a) of question No. 21 it was published in the district gazettes in December 1927 and was placed at the disposal of the Press in February 1928 but through a misunderstanding of instructions copies were not